PROCEDURAL STEPS IN OSHA'S RULEMAKING PROCESS

1. Request for Information (RFI)

   -- Formal request for information to be used in determining whether regulatory action is necessary.

2. Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR)

   -- Notice requesting regulatory options given after recommendations that need for regulation exists.

3. Regulatory Impact Analysis (RIA)

   -- Analysis of the benefits and costs to society of the proposed rule.

4. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM)

   -- A proposal of a particular standard or rule prior to final adoption which invites public comments.

5. Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

   -- Report on the effects a proposed rule will have on the environment normally filed with the NPRM.

6. Final Rule

   -- The final regulation which includes an explanation. This may be subject to judicial review.

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